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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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STATUS REPORT ON NOVEMBER 5, 2002 GENERAL ELECTION

Attached is the first status report regarding major events in process for the November 5, 2002 General Election. As for past major elections, these reports will be provided weekly to keep you apprised of major milestones and status of election tasks.

On September 25, 2002 an election briefing was held at the Hahn Hall of Administration for your Board deputies who oversee our operations. Key election managers and myself provided them with a 90 minute briefing on topics ranging from sample ballot preparation/printing/mailing, absentee voter processing, poll worker recruitment and training and kick-off plans for the touchscreen early voting project (touchscreen voting will begin October 22 at 21 sites countywide). We responded to your staffs' questions on these topics and received excellent feedback on the content of the briefing. A comprehensive packet of materials was distributed to each Board deputy. Two of the items included in those packets are attached to this memo: 1) a copy of the *Poll Cat* newsletter mailed last week, along with the appointment confirmations, to the 19,000 poll workers recruited to date; and 2) one sample ballot booklet (sample ballots for this election range in size from 32 to 128 pages, the thickest books ever).

Printing of the four million sample ballot booklets has been completed and more than one million have been mailed to date. There are an unprecedented 818 separate versions (ballot styles) of the sample ballot booklet for this election. Typically, there are no more than 400 separate and distinct ballot styles (combinations of different candidates/issues) for a General Election. However, due to secession as well as the redistricting of all political boundary lines this year, an additional 400+ ballot styles had to be created.

If you have questions, please call me.

Attachments

c: CAO